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## Selectmen's Minutes 12-18-2006

### TOWN OF ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Meeting Minutes  
 Monday, December 18, 2006  
**6:00 p.m.**

Present: Mr. Greeley, Chair, Ms. LeCourt, Vice Chair, Mr. Hurd, Mrs. Mahon, Ms. Rowe

Also present: Mr. Sullivan and Mrs. Krepelka

Mr. Greeley thanked Norm McLeod, Jeff Munroe and Paul West with Arlington Community Media for all their work in installing new equipment and cameras in the Selectmen's Office.

### LICENSES & PERMITS

#### 1. Request: License Renewals

Automatic Amusement  
 Food Vendor  
 Common Victualler  
 Wine & Malt Beverages Only  
 All Alcohol Restaurant  
 All Alcohol Club  
 Class I Auto Dealer  
 Class II Auto Dealer  
 Class II Auctioneer  
 Hackney Carriage & Public Automobile/Limousine Service  
 Lodging House/Inn Holder  
 Public Entertainment  
 Secondhand Dealer

Mr. Hurd moved approval subject to conditions set forth. SO VOTED (5-0)

### TRAFFIC RULES & ORDERS/OTHER BUSINESS

#### 2. Data Processing Department Move to Town Manager

Annie LaCourt, Selectman

Ms. LaCourt read wording of Warrant Article to be inserted in the Annual Town Meeting Warrant.

Ms. LaCourt moved approval. SO VOTED (5-0)

3. Review of Job Description of IT Manager

Annie LaCourt, Selectman

Ms. LaCourt reviewed the job description of IT Manager.

Ms. Rowe moved to go forward with filling the position of IT Manager reporting to the Comptroller and establish a screening committee. SO VOTED (5-0)

Screening Committee will consist of Ruth Lewis, Comptroller, Brian Sullivan, Town Manager, Robert Greeley, Board of Assessors, Stephen Mazzola, School Dept., Annie LaCourt, John Hurd, members of the Board of Selectmen and Stephen Gilligan, Town Treasurer

4. Discussion: BOS Meeting Dates 2/12/07 & 2/26/07

(from 11/27/06 meeting)

Mr. Greeley stated that he would not be able to attend the February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

5. Request: Authorization – Belmont Uplands

Kevin O'Brien, Director of Planning and Community Development

The Board unanimously approved Mr. O'Brien's suggestion that a letter be sent to

Belmont. The Board was particularly concerned with any traffic impacts the Chapter 40B development might have in

Arlington. Mrs. Mahon and Ms. Rowe would like the letter to include a comment that the developer should be responsible for paying for the peer review of the traffic impact study in Arlington.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

6. Verizon – Cable

William Solomon

Brian Sullivan stated that this report is similar to the reports issued previously for the contract recently negotiated with Comcast and RCN. The reports asks for a 10 year license with five (5%) percent of the company's gross annual revenues going to the town for PEG access operating support, and \$400,000. to PEG access capital funding.

The BOS unanimously approved an issuing authority report as part of the cable television licensing process with Verizon.

Mr. Hurd moved receipt of said report.

SO VOTED (5-0)

**Correspondence Received**

Iir Velagoshti Change of restaurant name Be Rec'd

Gemma Italian

Ristorante

315 Broadway

ABCC Appeal from action of licensing board of Town of Arlington in Be Rec'd

Denying a wine and malt beverage license to K&J Variety, Inc.,

94 Summer St.

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Denying a wine and malt beverage license to 3 P Corp, D.B.A.

Easy Convenience Store, 935 Mass. Ave.

Lieutenant

Kenneth Hughes No Place for Hate Be Rec'd

The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously to support Lt. Hughes request to have the Town of Arlington become certified as a No Place for Hate community.

Mrs. Mahon moved approval.

SO VOTED (5-0)

**New Business:**

Mr. Sullivan reported that the State Contractors and Highway Engineers are working with the residents of Summer Street (#277-291) to help with the slope of the driveway as they enter and exit their homes.

Mr. Sullivan asked the Board to review the letter from MacLaughlin Management & Design, Ice Skating Rink Consultants presented to the Town of Arlington.

Mr. Sullivan reported that he sent a letter to the Local Government Working Group of the Deval Patrick Transition Team. Said letter was inserted in your packet.

Mr. Sullivan reported that the independent appraisal of the purchase of the land for the Minuteman Village 40B project on Brattle Lane was received. Mr. Sullivan has no objections with the project itself but rather with the flawed appraisals that have been done which could negatively impact affordable housing funds due the Town.

Mrs. Mahon extended an invitation to the Board of Selectmen to attend the ceremonies

for the Pop Warner Cheerleaders to be held at Arlington High School on Saturday, January 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 P.M. Mrs. Mahon also stated that the Cheerleaders would appear before the Board on January 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mrs. Mahon stated that she called Ed Marlenga asking if it is possible to insert a warrant article this year regarding the age requirement for Fire & Police Officers.

Ms. Rowe stated that she asked the Town of Winchester if they would meet with the Tri Community Group in the near future to discuss the Aberjona River.

Mr. Hurd stated he would like to recommend the Board revisit the idea of doing a "Honor Awards Ceremony" as they did in the past--the last year being 1992. He thought it would be nice to include said awards in the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations. Mr. Hurd would be willing to go the next step and start by accepting nominations. Mr. Greeley stated he is willing to undertake said project with Mr. Hurd. Mr. Greeley stated he would like to do something for Charles Lyons and Kathleen Dias who were long time Selectmen for the Town of Arlington. Mr. Hurd stated that an additional award, The Greeley Award, would be awarded to a Town Employee.

The Board unanimously approved and asked both Mr. Greeley and Hurd to report back with said recommendations and approval.

Mr. Greeley congratulated Mrs. Mahon on winning the National Championship for Pop Warner Cheerleaders, the first Arlington Pop Warner chairleaders to take the top honors.

Mr. Greeley invited all members to join with the Selectones on Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:45 p.m. at Drake Village.

Mr. Greeley stated that he felt the comments raised recently in the Advocate editorial regarding its goal setting process was fair criticism. However, he stated that the Board wants to take the time to develop goals in a more comprehensive manner than in previous years—I don't see it as something that has to be done at a date certain—education is our first priority.

Mr. Hurd stated that was the first time the board has worked on developing a set of goals separate from those of the Town Manager.

Mrs. Mahon moved to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

A True Record: Attest:

Marie A. Krepelka  
Board Administrator